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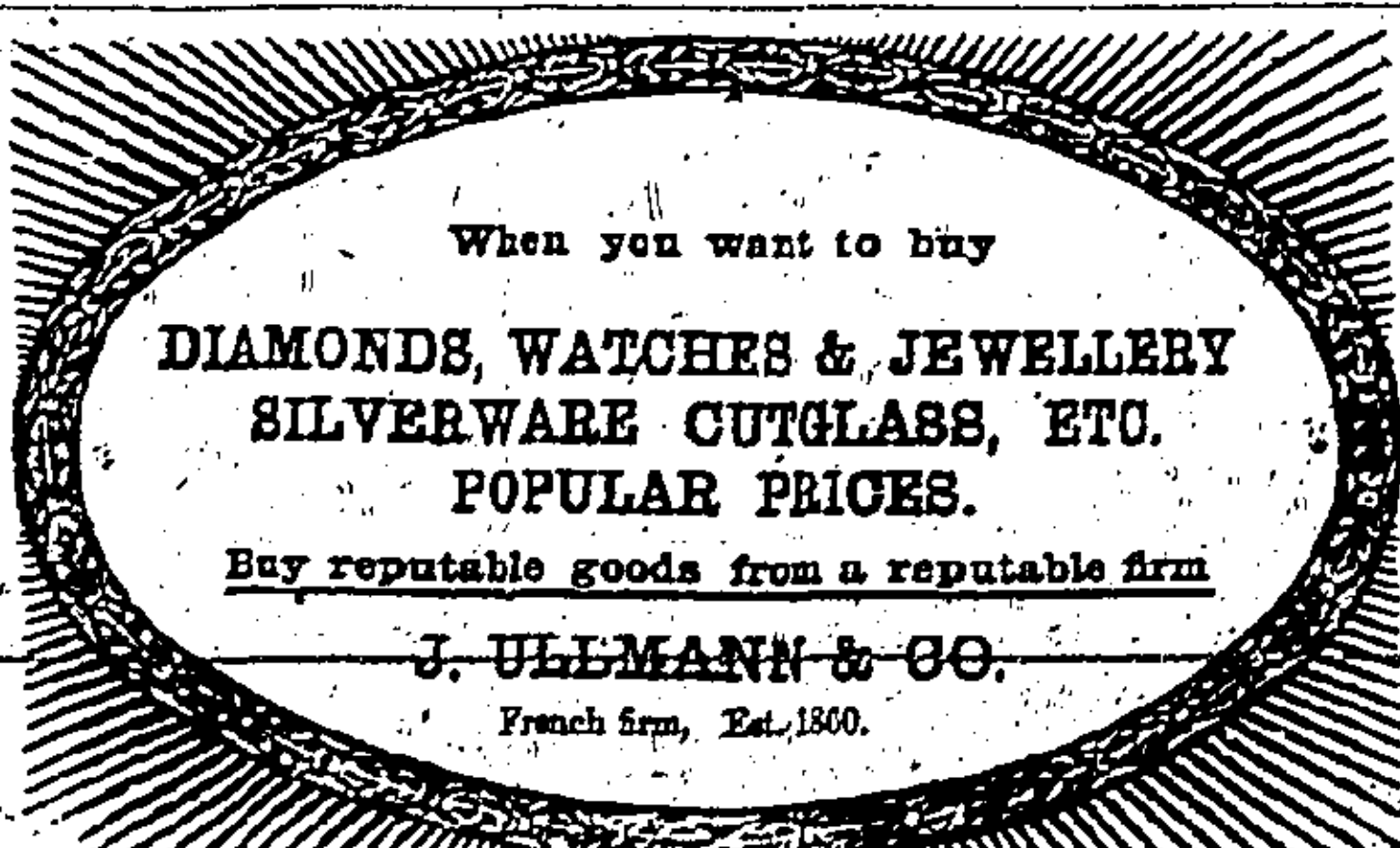
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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reader's Service to the China Mail)

BOMBAY MILLS.

OWNERS READY TO CLOSE DOWN FOR TWO OR THREE WEEKS.

BOMBAY, January 30.
A meeting of mill owners decided to circulate a statement that in view of the benefits received by them since the war and the badness of trade throughout the world no requests for advances can be granted and in the event of a strike the mills may be closed down for two or three weeks.

AMERICAN AMBASSADORS.

EMBASSIES IN LONDON AND PARIS.

WASHINGTON, January 30.
The House of Representatives has approved the Government's acceptance of Mr. Morgan's offer of his house in London as a residence for the American Ambassador and has also authorized the appropriation of \$150,000 for the purchase of an embassy in Paris.

PARIS CONFERENCE.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE RETURNS TO LONDON.

GEORGIA RECOGNISED.

LONDON, January 30.
Mr. Lloyd George has returned to London.

PARIS, January 30.
The Conference recognised Georgia.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

ENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION AT CALCUTTA.

CALCUTTA, January 30.
The Duke of Connaught arrived and received a very enthusiastic reception, but as a result of the strong boycott and campaign of non-cooperation a part of the city observed strict martial law.

YACHT RACE ACROSS THE ATLANTIC.

WASHINGTON, January 30.
The King of the Belgians has offered a cup for a trans-Atlantic yacht race from Sandy Hook to Ostend on July 4, open to sailing yachts of any size and rig without handicap.

CHIEF SCOUT IN INDIA.

BOMBAY, January 30.
General and Lady Baden-Powell have arrived to receive the boy scout and girl guide movement in India.

LATE GRAND DUCHESS ELIZABETH OF RUSSIA.

JERUSALEM, January 30.
The Marquess of Milfordhaven has arrived with the body of the late Grand Duchess Elizabeth of Russia for interment at Gethsemane.

INDIAN TROUBLES.

STUDENTS STRIKE AT LAHORE SPREADING.

LAHORE, January 29.
The students strike is spreading. Of 1,200 day college students only 30 are attending lectures.

ALLAHABAD, January 29.
The threat of the rioters Fyzabad to annihilate the police has not materialised but the police are standing by.

SPEECH DAY.

ST. STEPHEN'S GIRLS' COLLEGE.

St. Stephen's Girls' College "Speech Day" was held in the Chinese Y.M.C.A. on Saturday afternoon.

The Bishop of Victoria presided and Lady Stubbs presented the prizes. Included in the entertainment given by the scholars was a representation by the elder girls of scenes from "Tennyson's" "Princess" which the epilogue stated was given as a special plea for the higher education of women at the Hongkong University.

Miss Griffin read her annual report as follows:—For the second time, in the space of a few weeks, it is due to the kindness of the Y.M.C.A. that we find this beautiful auditorium at our disposal. I should like at the outset of my few remarks in the name of the staff and students of S.S.G.C. to thank the General Secretary for making it possible for us all to invite our friends to meet with us here to-day.

It was in 1919 that we held our first "Speech Day". The honour of speaking then fell to a few of the students (for was it not they who had that year made the great decision to work without reward, for the honour of their school and for the sake of the work itself?).

To-day, however, their places will be taken by those wiser than themselves, who having considered the good work they are able to do, as well as the ideals for which the school stands, have decided that some building, better suited to their needs must be provided. They will be able to speak to you to-day of happier prospects, of the fulfilment of this desire, a fact which is due to the very generous response which so many present have already made to the Building Fund. We should like to take this present opportunity of thanking you for the share which many of you have taken in assuring the College a happier outlook, and a building more secure and worthy for its increasing number of the scholars.

I think all present would like to know that the girls them-

selves have not been behind-hand in working to help forward this good cause. This time last year they gave a Concert and again in the summer held a sale of work which many of you so kindly patronized the results of which have added \$1500. to the Fund.

We are specially glad, however, to find that though the need of our school has pressed upon them heavily it has not absorbed their attention or energies. Through the agency of their own school Y.V.C.A. they have been able to raise funds for the Leper Hospital in Pakhoi, for the M.C.I., and for the Chinese Home Mission to Yunnan.

Christmas and summer treats for poorer children have been organized on three different occasions during the past year, and though we cannot boast of anything like such good sportsmen as we have had in some previous years, we feel glad that those who enjoy and value their school games have experienced such thorough enjoyment in teaching them to the less fortunate children of their own neighbourhood.

The Concert for the Famine Relief specially deserves mention as being a proof of their readiness to help the distressed and suffering people of districts further afield. With very short notice, this Concert was organized and carried through with the result that over \$1,000. was sent up to the Famine stricken area of North China as their share in the Relief work.

In the school itself the children find ample opportunity for working together in a kindly spirit. We make this a special part of the training and have not been disappointed in the response we have gained. Visitors, passing through the Kindergarten smile when they see Chinese, Indians, Americans, and English, working with eager faces side by side. It is good for all alike and the best and happiest training for children who, when they have grown up, will be called upon to consider their attitude towards the League of Nations. They may remember then the League in miniature which they had at school which they found so very interesting.

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Miss Griffin added: Girls, in higher forms are learning the same lesson. The staff have decided for some time past to help them to a right spirit of healthy emulation in work, by abandoning marks or even marklists, in examinations. We hope by this means to eradicate the evil spirit of competition, and consequent bad feeling, which a difference of a few marks sometimes has been known to cause. We are all well satisfied that such a system is working well to produce good results in study. If the University Local Examination results are any criterion of thorough work, those of this year speak well for the girls who have passed through the school to Junior and Senior Local Examination standard of work. We are glad to be able to record 100 per cent in passes for 1920. Between the 3 candidates 8 distinctions were gained. In the Senior Examination 1 in History, and in the Junior Examination 2 in Scripture, 2 in Drawing and 1 in Domestic Science. Girls who have passed out of the school are also a cause of great thankfulness and encouragement. The greater majority are, as we would have them, most naturally and fittingly taking their places as centres of influence in their own homes putting to the rest and also into practice many of the lessons they first learnt with us in school, in the class-room or through their Christian Association—others are now finding their vocation as teachers in many centres. Two are in Canton giving help in our C.M.S. Girls' School and Women's School respectively. Another is in charge of the English kindergarten in the C.M.S. Girls' School, Foochow, and yet another in Yan Chow has a vernacular school of her own—the "Star" to be opened in the city. Quite a number of our girls are now continuing their studies in America. In Hongkong specially it seems as though such opportunities for Higher Education might easily be forthcoming. We are still looking to the Hongkong University to answer the appeal just recently made to them from this platform, and to provide, in the near future (in the way they deem most fitting), for the furtherance of women's education in this Colony.

In closing will you allow me to say how much I am appreciative of the way in which the interest of the College have been maintained and its work furthered during this past year of my absence on furlough. For ten months the burden of responsibility has been cheerfully borne by Miss Middleton-Smith as Acting Principal and the English staff who have so loyally wished to help her. To her untiring energy and zeal is due very much of which this report has spoken. We wish her every success and blessing in the work which she has temporarily undertaken at St. Paul's College. But I know the world will miss to voice her appreciation of the loyal staff of workers who have so willingly carried things through with her. For Miss Atkins, whose first year of work in the College has ended her term, and to whose thorough teaching, the girls in the upper forms owe very much. For Miss Hazeland, an old friend of our College, who continually has so many calls upon her time and ability in the splendid training she gives the girls not only in their English classes, but in preparation for such parts as our girls are taking in today's programme, and that of similar occasions. Mrs. Samson has this year most generously spared time to carry on the piano lessons. Mrs. Britton, though unable to continue her drawing classes, has kindly made time to give violin lessons to 2 of our pupils, thereby starting us on the way to the formation of a small orchestra, which we hope may develop. Her drawing classes have been taken by Mrs. Bion whom we are glad to welcome on to the staff, as a helper in many departments of the work.

Our Chinese staff, besides their ordinary class work are invaluable to us. Mrs. Cheung, as Interpreter-in-Chief and Miss Ewok, as President of our school Y.V.C.A. Their services are most precious to us.

I still hope, that, in the near future, the vernacular side of our work will be better correlated with the English work. Meanwhile, Mr. Lo, and Mr. Yung give us their valuable help as they have for many years past. We must wait for our new school, when we shall plan for the strengthening of their work.

Finally, may I emphasize the fact that our present quarters are most uncomfortably full and that boarders who would seek admittance have on that account to be refused for lack of accommodation. We should like this to be remedied as soon as possible. We have been shaken out of one house to overflow another, but we still go forward in faith for we believe that "God is with us."

Lady Stubbs then presented the prizes. Her ladyship congratulated the scholars on their work and expressed satisfaction that the building fund was progressing. St. Stephen's deserved better accommodation, for it was turning out girls who would make good homes—a great necessity at the present time.

Sir ROBERT HO-TUNG, in proposing a vote of thanks to Lady Stubbs, gave an account of the progress of the Building Fund, as Chairman of the Building Fund Committee. It was proposed to raise \$75,000, and there had been already collected or promised over \$40,000 (applause) or two-thirds of the total. This amount included about \$9,000 raised principally by the students during last year. (Applause.) Having regard to the many calls upon the purse of the generous-minded public in the Colony, he thought the Committee's success thus far was very encouraging. As \$25,000 were still required he took the opportunity of making an earnest appeal to all interested in the education of Chinese girls to help. He would remind those who intended to give that "he gives twice who gives quickly."

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Bicycle 3 Speed Gear.

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Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street.

An Assortment of
Household Linens, etc.,
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Pillow Cases, Fine quality Blankets,
White Satin Quilts, Bed Valances,
Damask Table Cloths, Turkish Towels,
Bath Towels, Bath Sheets, Double Bed
Sheets, Drawnwork Bedspreads, Table
Covers, Crochet and Drawnwork Doilies,
Linen Damask Serviettes.

Also

A few lots of Bellow Valises and Suit
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INTIMATIONS.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS will be held at the Office of
Messrs. JAMES, MARTIN & CO., Ltd., on
FRIDAY, February 4th, 1921, at Noon, for
the purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors and the Statement of Accounts for
the year ended December 31st, 1920.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, January
26th, 1921, to FRIDAY, February 4th, 1921,
both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

W. S. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hongkong, January 20, 1921.

THE KOWLOON LAND & BUILD-
ING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the THIRTY-SECOND ORDIN-
ARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS
in this Company will be held at the
Company's Office, Victoria Buildings on
FRIDAY, 4th February, 1921, at 12
O'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors together
with the Statement of Accounts for the
year ending 31st December, 1920.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from WED-
NESDAY, 26th January, to FRIDAY,
4th February, both days inclusive
during which period no transfer of
shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,

Secretary to

The Hongkong Land Investment &
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Hongkong, January 20, 1921.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND FIRST
ORDINARY MEETING OF
SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will
be held at the Office of the Company,
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February, 1921, at 11 a.m. for the
purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors,
together with a Statement of
Accounts, declaring a Dividend and
electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from 25th
January, to 7th February, 1921, both
days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

JOHN ARNOLD,

Secretary.

Hongkong, January 19, 1921.

THE SHAREHOLDERS of the
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Hongkong, January 28, 1921.

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MARRIAGE.

HASKETT-BONE.—At the Wesleyan Church, Hongkong, on January 29, Louis Helen, eldest daughter of the Rev. Charles and Mrs. Bone, to George Henry Haskett.

The China Mail.

TRADE, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE.
HONGKONG, MONDAY, JAN. 31, 1921.

RACE TIME COMING.

It is not unknown for new-comers, accustomed to bigger race horses, to indulge in a mild jest at our China ponies, to compare them with sheep, and to suggest that our most serious and earnest sportsmen are, as it were, the offspring of an animal that is neither horse nor mule, but resembles both. They soon grow out of it, and take as keen an interest as the rest of us in the fortunes of local favourites, especially when they are introduced to the popular excitement of our club sweeps, a gamble at which the law vinks kindly, to our great comfort and satisfaction, for these seasonal indulgences are pleasant fillets in our daily life. Now that the training is in full swing, the interest in the forthcoming meeting becomes audible, and the air is full of gossip about ponies and punters. Two owners have entered their ponies as "Adversaries," and if it fails to score a win with a name like that, the China Mail staff is going to be seriously out of pocket, that's all. Of the most interesting gossip that reaches us is that about a certain pony that makes the most remarkably fast times when training; but when actually racing has been so far among the "also-rans." It occurred to his intelligent owner that

there must be a reason for this, and he has guessed at various possible reasons and is contriving to meet them. In training the pony is ridden by the boy, who wears what boys wear, while when racing the animal is mounted by a jockey in colours. Is it the colours that catch his eye and take his mind off his work? If so, no problem is more easy to solve. So the "boy" now wears the colours during training, and the pony has the opportunity of getting used to them, of forming, as it were, the habit of galloping fast under the most distracting polychromatic conditions. That, however, is not all. At races a band plays. As we know, it doesn't always play well, or play good music, and it may be that this pony, while aesthetically indifferent to colour, is psychologically affected by sounds. If his weakness is musical, it also is provided for. The gossips assure us (and Heaven forgive them if they never will) that this pony now has a concert every time it has chow. They say a gramophone has been specially sent down to the stable, and that this fortunate pony feeds to the air of "I'm for ever blowing bubbles." That's the one mistake we perceive in an otherwise excellent programme. A more appropriately suggestive tune would be "chasing rainbows," and we would urge the shrewd owner to change the record accordingly. If we hear that this has been done, we will back the animal as evidence of good faith.

CHINESE AND UNIVERSITY.

No Hongkong publicist can be blamed for sowing the seeds of Hongkong University, upon the attention of Chinese students and

their parents and guardians. If these claims can be urged with good and practical reasons, as we believe they can, so much the better. We believe they can, in spite of the few faults and failings of our local institutions. All depends upon what the student is after. It is just a little fatuous to suppose that the Chinese do not see the motive of the various nations in desiring to attract Chinese students to their respective Universities. They look upon each graduate as an unsalaried Commercial Traveller, committed to an involuntary partiality for their products. In theory, and probably, largely in practice, every student who completes his terms in Japan is an asset to Japan, and every one who graduates in America or in Britain will be pro-American or pro-British as the case may be. We have seen how pro-German were the majority of Japanese students who studied there. Even men of our own race who had been at German Universities were less anti-German than those who had not. To suppose that Chinese students should graduate at the Hongkong University and thereafter be satisfied with a brief post-graduate course at a British University is natural enough as a desire coming from a British adviser, but is it not asking a little too much? The question of expenses arises, even with those able to send their sons to such places to acquire qualifications. The question will arise in their minds: What do they get for their money? We have got to show them that we desire their patronage of Hongkong University, that its degree has value. We must satisfy them, if we wish them to go Home, that a British degree is better than any other. No other argument can impress them. We recall the advice tendered to a Hongkong parent on one occasion by a high personage: "If you desire your son to enter one of the professions, and to make a career, send him to Cambridge. If you desire him to remain at home, and assist you in your business, and retain his Chinese sympathies, Hongkong University is good enough for you." It is imperative to tell any Chinese parent that a young boy, going away from home, will be exposed to very serious temptations. They know all about that, and their anxiety on that score is not lessened wherever the lot goes. The unfortunate thing about our University is that, notwithstanding the munificence of the Government, and such generous benefactions as that of Mr. H. M. Nemanee, it has so far failed to get the real good will of the European population here. Many of our prominent public men, in private if not openly, regard it as a too extravagant donation to purely Chinese interests. They fail to recognize the benefits it promises ultimately to bring to themselves.

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

All preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the *China Mail*, are charged for at the rate of \$1 each, (as announced in May and June of last year) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the prevailing rates.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Captain E. R. G. R. Evans resumed full pay sea service on the 15th inst., and will take passage to the Far East to succeed Capt. John W. Carrington, in the command of the light cruiser "Carlsle," serving on the China Station.

H.E. Sir Dudley Ridout, G.O.C., at Singapore, has received notification from the War Office that his successor, Major-General Sir John Fowler, leaves London on the 21st January. Sir Dudley will leave Singapore by the "Kashgar" in March.

At the Roman Catholic Cathedral on Saturday afternoon the wedding took place of Mr. S. A. Marcal, of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company, and Miss M. A. da Rosa. The reception was held at the Catholic Union Club after the ceremony.

Members of the "Carlsle's" crew yesterday followed to Happy Valley the remains of a shipmate, T. Heame, Engine Room Artificer, who died following an operation. The deceased was a young man, only a recent arrival here, coming out in the "Bremen" this month.

The Straits friends of Mr. S. C. Teo will be pleased to learn that he is engaged to Miss Tan Gai Lan, youngest sister of Mr. K. H. Tan, Manager of The Asiatic & Wiborg Co., Hongkong. Mr. Teo is the youngest brother of Mr. Teo Pin Chong of the Eastern Trading Co., Penang and Ipoh. The wedding day is not yet fixed, and will be announced later.

Lieutenant W. S. L. Gilchrist has been posted to the "Tamar" at Hongkong. Lieutenant Gilchrist entered the Royal Navy ten years ago, saw a good deal of service in the war, and was promoted to his present rank in August of last year. Before being appointed to the "Tamar" he was doing duty with the Royal Naval Barracks, Chatham.

The death took place at Shanghai, on January 22 of Mr. Frederick Arnold Burchard at the age of 77. Mr. Burchard, a German, was one of the oldest foreign residents of China, having been in the country for 52 years. He founded the now extinct firm of Gipperich and Burchard, and retired some 20 years ago. Mr. Burchard is survived by a daughter, and several relatives in Kiel.

LOCAL WEDDING.

CHANG

The manager of the Banque Industrielle de Chine at Shanghai has issued to the Press the following telegram from the bank's head office in Paris, dated January 20: "You are authorized to announce officially that an agreement has been reached between our bank and a most powerful group of French banks, headed by the Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas, according to which that group acquires a large financial interest in the Banque Industrielle de Chine."

The Canton Times states that in order to popularize the Provincial Bank of Kwangtung banknotes, there is now a proposal under consideration to forbid the circulation of foreign currency in this province. If this proposal is adopted by the Canton Government all business transactions will calculate their accounts on the basis of local currency. There is a complaint before the authorities that the Chinese Post Office is not accepting the Provincial Bank of Kwangtung notes for payment of postage stamps.

OBITUARY.

MR. W. ROBINSON.

The death of Mr. W. Robinson, of Kowloon, an assistant of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, took place last night at the French Hospital, the news coming as a shock to his many friends. He was admitted to the hospital about two months ago, suffering from jaundice. Complications set in, and lately he became rapidly worse.

Mr. Robinson had resided in the Colony for a number of years and had a wide acquaintance. He was formerly a gunner with the P. & O. Company. For the last two years he had been with the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company. He was active in Masonic affairs. He was 47 years of age, and leaves a widow and child, at present at home in Manchester. Much sympathy is felt for them in their bereavement. The funeral will be held at Happy Valley this evening.

MEMORIAL UNVEILED.

CATHEDRAL CROSS DEDICATED.

A SOLEMN CEREMONY.

A simple yet magnificent ceremony took place yesterday morning at the Cathedral when in the presence of a large assembly the War Memorial Cross, to the memory of the men of Hongkong who fell in the Great War, was unveiled.

The Memorial stands on a pretty plot of ground, against a background of palms and other luxuriant tropical trees, near the West entrance to the Cathedral. Shortly after ten o'clock a guard of honour, in command of Lieut. T. M. Bevan, M. C., and 40 men of the Hongkong Defence Corps, took its place about the Memorial. There were also in attendance at the ceremony detachments from the Royal Garrison Artillery, Royal Engineers, 2nd Battalion, Wilts. Regiment, H.K.S. R.G.A.: 2/22nd Punjab and 2/35th Coy. Rifles, and contingents from H.M.S. "Hawkins," "Ambrose," "Carlsle," "Curlew," "Colombo," "Tiania" and other vessels.

Before the actual unveiling and dedication, an impressive service was held in the Cathedral. All the seating accommodation was occupied. In the centre of the Nave sat the relatives of the fallen.

The service opened with the Dead March in Saul, played by Mr. Dennan Fuller, the Cathedral organist. The Easter anthem was sung in place of the Venite. Archdeacon Barnett read the passage from Revelation: "These are they that have come out of great tribulation." The Rev. J. T. Holman offered prayers for the peace of the world and for the British Empire; thanking for those who have laid down their lives for their friends, and a prayer for the mourners, that they might have faith to look beyond the troubles of the present. The choir sang the anthem, "O Lord God, Thou strength of my health" (Goss). Then came the procession:

O God, our help in Ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
It was sung to the accompaniment of the band of the 2nd Wilts Regt., which was outside the Cathedral.

The procession moved out of the Cathedral to the War Memorial in the following order:

The Clergy.—The Bishop of Victoria, Archdeacon Barnett, the Rev. H. Copley Moyle, the Rev. J. T. Holman, the Rev. J. D. Pim, R.N. (chaplain to the "Hawkins"), the Rev. M. W. Shewell (Army Chaplain), the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave (Missions to Seamen), the Rev. W. T. Featherstone (headmaster of the Diocesan Boys' School).

H.E. the Governor Sir R. E. Stubbs, K.C.M.G., and his staff.

H.E. Vice-Admiral Sir A. L. Duff, K.C.B., and his staff.

H.E. Major-General Sir G. M. Kirkpatrick, K.C.B., K.C.S.I., and his staff.

The Relatives of the Fallen.

His Hon. The Chief Justice, Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz K.C.

The Hon. The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Cland Severn, C.B.E., L.L.D., and the Legislative and Executive Councils.

Officers of the Navy and Army. Ex-Members of H.M. Forces.

Other members of the congregation.

The hymn, "For all the Saints who from their labours rest," was sung at the Memorial.

The Governor then said:

I hereby unveil this Memorial to the glory of God, and in memory of the men of this Colony, who counting not their life dear to themselves, laid it down for their King and country during the Great War. "Their Name liveth for evermore."

As the cord was pulled that released the Union Jack, which the Memorial was covered, the Guard of Honour presented arms, and the band played the General Salute.

The Memorial was revealed as a simple cross of Hongkong granite, with a bronze sword in relief. On the pedestal was a brass plate, bearing this inscription:

"To the glory of God
and
in memory of the
men of Hongkong
who fell
in the Great War
1914-1918
and whose names are recorded
on a tablet in the porch
of this Cathedral."

The list of the fallen was read by the Rev. H. Copley Moyle. It follows: Henry Adair, Arthur Alkhumud, Hugh Arthur, Anthony Drummond, Bailey, A. H. Best, John Hugh Bone, Cyril Francis Wogan Bowen-Rowl, and Ernest W. Brett, James Brewer, W. A. J. Bullock, Ian Neil Carmichael, Ben Fletcher Chapman, Daniel Gordon Chessman, W. H. Edmund, Jasper Clark, Albert Edmund Clarke, Lionel Oscar Collins, Walter Gordon Cope, Ernest Cruickshanks, Charles Clement Francis Cunningham, Frank Dealy, Sidney Dealy, Arthur Francis Deane, John Delahunty, Kenneth Rose, Dennis, Peter, Sydneyham Dixon, Ernest Drury, Robert Edwards, Alfred Ernest Elborough, Edward Henry Evan, Ernest William Evers, Kenneth Rowley Forde, Alexander Adair Fyfe, Peter Boyd Gardner, Francis Grisel, John Edward Gresson, Leonard Joseph Gull, Cyril Eugene Agatton Hance, Charles David de Henry, Arthur

Hirst, George Hoskins, Archibald Derys Irving, Sidney Henry Howard Kerr, Hugh Ivor Jones, Arthur Noel Jessland, Rennie Dean Lammet, Donald Angus MacLeod, Alexander Lindsay Macdonald, Donald Crawford Mackenzie, Edward J. Mackenzie, Cecil McCutcheon, Walter John May, Andrew Richard Stewart Miller, Edwin Alan Morris, Edward Noel Mitchell, Ronald Munro, Ernest Frank Gordon Orchard, Ernest George Faintling, Frank Richardson, George William Rivers, Frederick Henry Robinson, Thomas Ernest Stanley Robson, Alan Davidson Shewan, Edward Charles Sillis, Francisco Maria Soares, William Howell Stapleton, Reginald Alexander Stokes, John Francis Summers, Thomas Taylor, Henry Victor, William H. Vireash, Herbert George Wakeford, Charles Nigel Gordon Walker, Alec Whitmarsh, Harold Wilson.

After the reading of the names, there was silence for a time, and then the Bishop of Victoria offered the dedication prayer. He said:

In the faith of Jesus Christ, we dedicate this Memorial, to the glorious memory of the men, from this Colony, who have fallen in the Great War, in the Name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. And we pray Thee, O Lord, that this Cross, which we have now dedicated to Thee, may ever remind us of Thy meritorious cross and passion and of their sacrifice, and may kindle in us a like spirit of service. Who livest and reignest, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God now and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer was then repeated by those present, and four buglers of the Wiltshire Regiment played the "Last Post."

The Bishop of Victoria next addressed the assembly. He said:

This Memorial Cross which we have unveiled and dedicated to-day. What does it represent? This Cross stands for three things. First of all, it is a memorial, to us and to those who come after us, of men who, from this Colony, went forth to serve a cause greater than they knew, and who laid down their lives for their fellows. It is not of an unknown warrior, that we are thinking now, but of men well known—many of them—in this place: the relatives, the comrades and friends of not a few gathered here.

In the Chapel at Clifton College, that College where Earl Haig, where General Birdwood, and many another famous leaders received their early training, there is a Memorial Brass erected to a young soldier, an old boy of the school, who died on a distant frontier. The words on the Brass are in Latin: translated they read—

He died far away, he died before his time;

But he died a soldier, and he died for his Country,

and some of you will recall how Henry Newbolt, has immortalized those words in one of his poems—

Qui procul hinc—the legend's writ.

The frontier grave is far away,
Qui exiit dum periret
sed miles, sed pro patria.

Of each of these our brothers whose names we have heard just now we say in proud grief—

He died far away, he died before his time.

But he died a soldier,—he died for his Country.

The Cross stands as a memorial to men who laid down their lives for their country and for humanity.

Their name liveth for evermore.

Again, this Cross is a Memorial to us of the price at which humanity's freedom has been bought, and of the obligation that is laid upon us who survive. We are not our own: We have been bought at a great price, the price of our brother's blood: our lives are forfeit to them. Hundreds of quiet cemeteries in France and in distant parts of the earth will witness to generations to come, of the greatness of the cost at which humanity's redemption has been won.

By the sacrifice of these men the nations will be judged, and our lives will be judged. If we fall back to pre-war ways—if we are content to live small lives,—not base perhaps, but mean—if we allow the world to fall back into pre-war conditions; if we do not dedicate ourselves to the bringing in of a new creation, the Holy City, a new Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, then the lives of these men have been wasted; it is as if they had not died. Their spirit—the spirit of iron sacrifice of body and of soul—must be our spirit: So only can the day be won. Their sacrifice must sting us all into something heroic.

Lastly, this Cross is a memorial to us of the Sacrifice of Him who has redeemed from waste the sacrifice of these, our brothers. If I mistake not, there is more than one man here who has stood on the field of battle after the fight was over, and with bewildered mind has asked "Is there in all the universe anything that can redeem from waste this terrible destruction?" and somehow his mind has travelled on to a green hill far away, and to a lonely Cross placed there, and he has said, "Here only can this sacrifice find its explanation and the fulfilment of its purpose."

I cannot do better than end by quoting those immortal words of Abraham Lincoln spoken at the end of the Civil War—"It is for us, the living, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought have thus far so nobly advanced. It is for us to be here

THEATRE ROYAL.

DENNISTON PLAYERS.

"PLEASE GET MARRIED."

The crescendo of success that has attended the efforts of the Denniston Players during the first week of their season in Hongkong culminated on Saturday night when Lewis Allen Brown's "Please Get Married," a delightful three-act farce which would be hard to beat for sheer fun and sustained interest, kept a crowded house shimmering with laughter from the rise to the fall of the curtain. Roused to a high pitch of enthusiasm, the audience was not slow in expressing its keen appreciation by frequent applause, so generous at times as to amount almost to an ovation. The infectious humour of the farce was in itself sufficient to ensure success. In the hands of a discriminating company the play was irresistible.

In defiance of his millionaire father, a young man marries the girl of his choice, and with the connivance of her less affluent parents, leaves on his honeymoon. All is consternation and dismay when it is discovered that the officiating parson is in reality a burglar in clerical garb. The frantic efforts of the girl's respectable parents and the irate millionaire to overtake the happy couple, who elude them with tantalising persistence, give rise to a succession of piquant situations which are rendered still more delicious by the obduracy with which the young people regard the news that their marriage is not legal as an elaborate practical joke. Finally, after many amusing and exciting incidents, including a rencontre with a private detective and an outbreak of fire in a hotel, matters are straightened out the following morning when it is discovered that the clerical gentleman who performed the marriage ceremony was in fact a parson, the thefts which led to his arrest in company with a real burglar having been committed during amnesia. The millionaire announces his betrothal to a pretty, but designing neighbour, whose insatiable curiosity has been the cause of much vexation to the girl's worried parents, and the play ends in general happiness.

High praise is due to the players for the skill with which they portrayed the various parts. Miss Florence Chapman and Mr. Leo Kennedy as the young lovers, who were responsible for much of the fun, played their respective roles with a youthful exuberance and sense of the comic that won them loud applause. Mr. Reynolds Denniston played the irate millionaire with a finish that bespoke the accomplished actor. Miss Valentine Sidney, as the distracted mother, and Mr. Reginald Wykeham, as her obedient husband who had never argued for twenty-five years, both gave clever impersonations of amusing roles. Miss Pressy Preston as the voluble neighbour, Miss Shirley Huxley as the hotel maid, Mr. W. D. Howard as the parson suffering from amnesia, Mr. Ray D. Clifton as the stuttering hotel clerk, Mr. W. Vaughan-Morgan as the hotel detective, Mr. Clayton Graham as the unrepentant burglar, Mr. Charles Bradley as the officious constable, and Mr. David Belbridge as a vicar, all contributed to the outstanding success of the play.

To-night the Company will submit an excellent comedy entitled "The Girl from Rector's."

WARNING TO MARINERS.

DANGEROUS WRECK.

STEAMER FOUNDERS AT SEA.

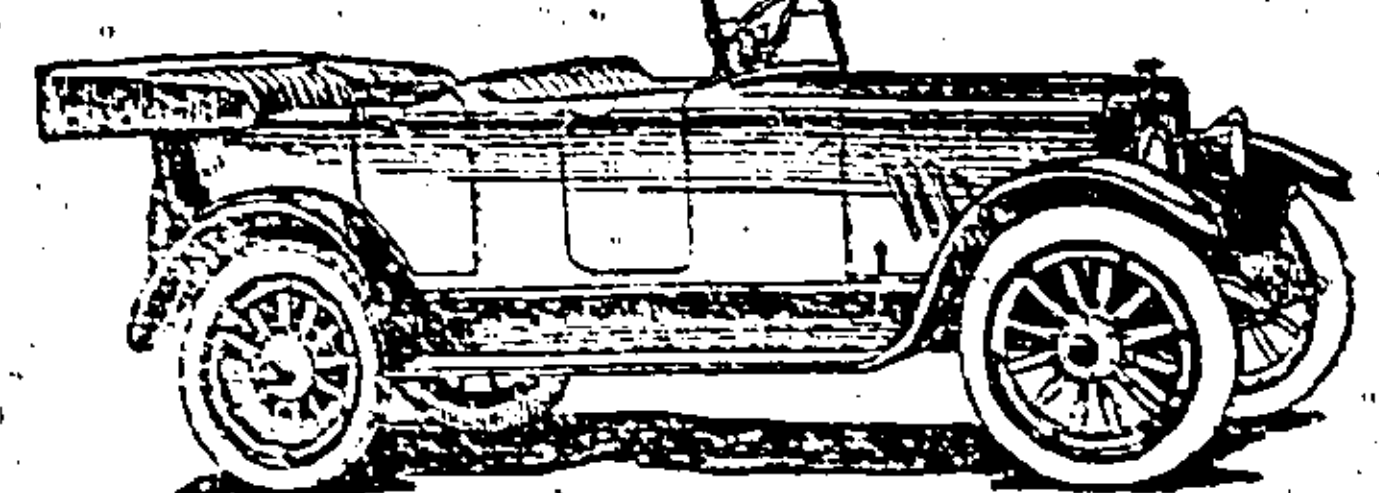
Notice is given by the Coast Inspector that the "Shen Chau" foundered at sea on January 15 whilst on a voyage from Kwanakou (Haichow) to the Yangtze River. The master of the vessel reports that the wreck lies in about 7 fathoms of water in the following approximate position: latitude 33° 50' N., longitude 121° 28' E. The "Shen Chau" was an iron vessel of 467 tons, and at the time of foundering was loaded with a cargo of salt. Mariners are warned that the position given for the wreck is very approximate and the vicinity, therefore, should be navigated with caution.

dedicated to the great task remaining before us—that from these honoured dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; and that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain."

At the conclusion of the Bishop's address, the National Anthem was sung and the Blessing was pronounced. The proceedings came to an end with a march past of the troops, the Governor taking the salute.

A number of beautiful floral tributes were placed at the foot of the cross and during the services the flags on the Cathedral and the warships in the harbour, among them a French destroyer, were at half mast. The Memorial itself was designed by Messrs. Leigh and Orange, and made by Messrs. C. E. Warren and Co. The bronze sword was made by the Kowloon Dock Company.

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ANNUAL PRIZEGIVING.

ELLIS KADOORIE SCHOOL.

THE YEAR'S REPORT.

The Ellis Kadoorie School was the scene at noon to-day of the annual prizegiving. Mrs. Claud Severn, wife of the Colonial Secretary, distributing the awards. There was a large attendance of scholars and others interested in the ceremony. The distinguished guests included The Hon. Mr. A. E. Irving, Director of Education; the Hon. Mr. Lau Chai Pak; Mr. Ellis Kadoorie, founder of the school; and Mr. Ralph, Inspector of Schools.

After the guests had viewed the exhibition of pictures by students of the school, the Headmaster, Mr. Charles Mycock, read the annual report. He said:

The popularity and growth of this School is shown by its ever increasing numbers and incessant demands for additions to the Staff. The minimum Staff required for its most economical and efficient working when full is 25 Assistants for the English Classes and 7 for the Vernacular. Our present requirements for the Vernacular Classes have been met by the recent appointment of two new men, but our present Staff of 21 for the English Classes, will be insufficient for the influx of new students in the coming term. Recommendation for the appointment of another four assistants has been made to the Head of the Department, and will, no doubt, receive early attention. I may state that two of these vacancies with accommodation for 60 boys were created last March by the conversion of the large Confucian Hall on the 3rd floor into three classrooms. In the coming year, with required minimum staff, I estimate that this School will, for the first time, be full to its utmost capacity. This, under existing regulations, and without the use of the Hall, is 760 boys. The figures for maximum attendance in 1920 are 736 and 590, computed to 629 and 567 in 1919. A vote of \$250.00 has been granted for apparatus already ordered. Additions to the Staff last March were Mrs. Mycock and Mrs. Richmond. Anglo-Chinese Masters have also been appointed to replace two who have entered business, and one, who, for incompetency, was dismissed.

Staff successes in the teacher examinations at the Technical Institute last year were—

Men's 1st Year: Messrs. To Yun Shun, Lau Ying Cheung, (Resigned) Chan Shui To, Yik Tat Ting, and Kwok Kam Fat.

Men's 2nd Year: Messrs. Chan Sik Ki, Ho Shan Him, and Ng Chung Sau.

The Government syllabus of work for District Schools was revised last September, and it is also to our advantage that the school year is being made to begin with the Chinese New Year. Having boys in the same class for an extra six months will enable masters to establish a still higher standard, although class work, with one or two exceptions, can even now, be considered satisfactory. Yet, unless great care be taken, the work is apt to deteriorate and become stereotyped and unimaginative. With a view to remedying this defect, a Master's Reference Library, with Mr. Ho Wa Ching as Librarian, has been commenced. Modern educational works and periodicals have been ordered from England, and should prove of great value to the younger teachers. At the beginning of this term, Queen's College found it impossible to admit the whole of our class 4 boys eligible for promotion. A class 3 was formed and placed under Mr. Ng Fung Chau. Good work has been done, and when this class proceeds to Queen's in the next term, we have hopes that it will give a good account of itself.

Dr. Valentine carried on the Medical Examinations commenced by Capt. Macaulay the year previously, with the following results—

Boys Examined, 491. Dental cases 109 or 22 per cent. Sight Cases 84 or 17 per cent. Eighty-two of these were supplied with spectacles. Eleven boys were found to be suffering from scabies. All of these cases received treatment.

I have to thank the Medical Officers of both the Government Civil and Tungwah Hospitals for courtesies received in the past year in connection with this work.

Activities apart from the school routine are many and vigorous. In the volleyball leagues we ran a senior, a junior, and a small boys' team. The junior and the small boys' teams have won their respective

leagues in both the spring and autumn competitions. The football team has for the first time for years actually won matches. The usual swimming picnics have been successful and well attended. In the H.K.A.A.F. Sports we carried off most of the prizes as well as the Ho Kwong Shield for the Junior Team Race. Queen's were too strong for us in the senior team race and retain the Coronation Shield. Rather ambitiously perhaps, eight of our boys coached by Mrs. Richmond, entered for the Annual open Harbour Swim. All finished the course creditably, but our first man was 9th in. Boxing with kindred exercises has been successfully introduced, and Sergt. Marriot speaks very enthusiastically of his Class. A recreation room under the supervision of upper class boys for chess, draughts, &c., has proved exceedingly popular. Mr. Cheng Kai In reports that the Library has been increased by some 300 volumes. Books suitable for the boys in every class are being obtained and special efforts are being made to encourage the reading of English books.

The Dramatic society and School Band are for the moment quiescent, but should an application of the near future for the increase of the Hall stage accommodation be successful, quite an extensive programme will be arranged. Lantern lectures on the British Empire, London, &c., &c. were given to the whole School last term in Class 3 room, and occasional educational films at local cinemas have also been much appreciated.

The school Subscription Fund for the Famine Relief Fund has reached the respectable sum of about \$950.

I desire to place on record my appreciation of the loyal support I have received from Mr. Ng Fung Chau and the remainder of the Staff.

The thanks of the School are due to all the generous donors of Scholarships and prizes, and we consider ourselves especially fortunate in the timely return of the Hon. Dr. Severn, firstly, that the sequence of years he has so generously presented the Art Prizes may remain unbroken, and finally, because we can congratulate both him and ourselves on the acquisition of a new and gracious ally to share the labours of our annual prizegiving.

The Hon. Mr. Severn, greeted with applause, referred to his pleasure in returning to Hongkong in time for the prizegiving. A ceremony he had had the honour of attending ever since the school had been taken over by the Government. He thanked the headmaster for his reference to Mrs. Severn and her help. He was glad to see Mr. Ellis Kadoorie and the Hon. Mr. Lau Chai Pak present. The report they had heard read was eminently satisfactory and Mr. Mycock was to be congratulated on the success of his second year as headmaster. The numbers attending had greatly increased and it was satisfactory to find the large building put to such complete use. Referring to several points in the report, he thanked Mr. Ng Fung Chau for the excellent work he had been doing for years in the school. He was gratified to see how much use was being made of Government help with regard to teeth and eyes. It was a particularly important thing that defects in these two particulars should be dealt with at once. In athletics, he was glad to see the success attained. As usual, in swimming they had done extremely well. They were very grateful to Mrs. Richmond for insisting on their swimming across the harbour. He only hoped the smaller boys would not try it before they were fully ready. Another item in the report particularly welcome was that the boys had subscribed over \$900 to the Famine Relief Fund. The report received was that \$10 would save a life—he hoped the subscription they had sent would save nearly a hundred lives.

Referring to the drawings, for which he had provided the prizes, he said that when he came to judge, he found that some excellent work had been done, while others failed to show an understanding of perspective. He hoped this would be improved. In drawing from flowers and still life, many of the boys showed considerable promise. He added that the school reflected great credit on the Headmaster, the Assistant, and the Mistresses.

Mrs. Severn then distributed the prizes.

The agenda for the meeting of the Sanitary Board to be held at 4.30 p.m. to-morrow includes the appointment of Mr. Henry L. Lokhart as a 2nd Class Sanitary Inspector.

SPORT.

LEAGUE FOOTBALL.

SATURDAY'S MATCHES.

R.G.A. 3; Kowloon 1
Tamar 1; Club 0
Police 1; "Ambrose" 0
"Titania" 1; Wilts 1

R.G.A. v. KOWLOON.

A very fast and exciting game was fought out on the Navy "B" ground between the above teams, ending in a victory for the Gunners by 3 goals to 1. Kowloon did very well in the first half, scoring first and pressing the Gunners hard, but they seemed to fall to pieces in the second half, the Gunners keeping them pinned in their own territory almost the whole time.

"TAMAR" v. H.K. CLUB.

The "Tamar" team are becoming a lot to be reckoned with. They play with rare combination and plenty of vim and hustle, and certainly deserved their victory over the Club on Saturday. Whilst the first half of the match was fairly evenly contested, in the second half the Sailors overran the Club territory, the Club only being saved from a crushing defeat by the reliability of Rodger in goal. Just before time, the Sailors were awarded a penalty from which they scored the winning goal.

Mr. Hollands was referee.

POLICE v. "AMBROSE."

This match was played on the Navy "A" ground. From the Sailors' kick-off, it developed into a fast and very even game—the match being full of excitement. Early on, after a pretty piece of combination, Robertson scored for the Police and though the Sailors tried hard to even up, this proved to be the only goal of the match.

"TITANIA" v. WILTS.

Judging by the result of the above match, it looks as if the "Titania" field a team of no mean order. The Wilts are at the head of the First Division and they were very lucky to share the points with the Sailors on Saturday. The "Titania" had the better of the exchanges right through the game and although the Wilts scored first, right up to the final whistle it was a question whether the Soldiers' defence could hold out and avert defeat.

SECOND DIVISION.

Oilers 3 Punjabis 0
Indians 2 Club 1
Out of five Second League Matches down for decision three were put off, St. Joseph's, United and the Recreation being able to raise teams.

OILERS v. PUNJABIS.

The Punjabis put up a game against the Oilers—they kept the score down to a single goal against them in the first half and two in the records, ever since the school had been taken over by the Government. He thanked the headmaster for his reference to Mrs. Severn and her help. He was glad to see Mr. Ellis Kadoorie and the Hon. Mr. Lau Chai Pak present. The report they had heard read was eminently satisfactory and Mr. Mycock was to be congratulated on the success of his second year as headmaster.

INDIANS v. CLUB RESERVES.

The match was played on the Club ground. Half time saw the Club one goal ahead but the Indians had the measure of their opponents, scoring twice without reply.

Mr. Hollands was in charge.

A clean bill of health was returned for the Colony on Saturday.

A Chinese woman who picked the pocket of E.R.A. James Murphy, of H.M.S. "Tamar," stealing a wallet containing \$40 was this morning sentenced by Magistrate Orme to six weeks' hard labour.

For the unlawful possession of 170 rounds of ammunition, a Chinese who was yesterday arrested in Aberdeen Street, was this morning ordered by Magistrate Lindell to pay a fine of \$100 or serve two months' hard labour. The ammunition was confiscated.

It is understood that negotiations have been opened on behalf of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association with a view to inducing the victorious American Davis Cup tennis team to play in Hongkong on their way Home from Australia. Tilden, Washburn and Hardy are expected to play at Singapore, Manila and Shanghai also. Johnston will not call.

Application for administration of the estate of the late Lo Kwong Yu, the appointment of a receiver, and an accounting was made in the Supreme Court this morning, before the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Gompertz, by Lau Au Shi, the widow and Lo Wing Hau, an infant relative of the deceased. The defendant was Lo Li Shi, executrix, the widow of the executor of the estate, named in the will. Mr. P. G. Jenkins, instructed by Messrs. Lo and Lo, appeared for the plaintiff. The application was granted.

BREACH OF CONTRACT.

SALE OF GUNNY BAGS.

CONSENT TO JUDGMENT.

Claim for \$1,385 for alleged breach of contract failing to accept and pay for 50 bales of gunny bags was made in the Supreme Court this morning by W. G. Humphreys & Co., against the Fook Chan firm of 16 Kwai Heng Street. Defendants consented to judgment in Chambers. The plaintiffs were represented by Wilkinson and Grist; defendants by Mr. J. A. Gardiner.

The plaintiffs alleged that on May 26, 1920, they entered into a contract with the defendants to sell them 50 bales, each containing 400 pieces, of Green Stripe Heavy Gee Gunny Bags at \$31.50 per 100 bags. The goods were available for delivery in July 19, 1920. They were weighed and inspected by defendants. On the failure of the defendants to take delivery, plaintiffs sold the bags at auction for \$4,915. The claim was the difference between the contract price and the amount realized at auction.

SAMPAH CAPSIZES.

SIX WOMEN DROWNED.

EARLY MORNING ACCIDENT.

The report of an accident which cost the lives of six women comes from Kaitin, where a house cooler employed at the Charter's Mining Co.'s mine, has informed the police that he was a passenger on a boat which capsized off Aukungkok at 4 a.m., yesterday. According to this man, he and a woman were the only two survivors. They started out from Ukwaisha village in the evening, bound for Shatin with 8 people on board—seven women and himself—and a cargo of firewood. When off the Aukungkok fishing harbour the bottom of their shallow boat struck a wire connected to a stake net. Before those on board could right her, the boat capsized. The witness assisted one of the women to shore where he obtained help. Fishing smacks at once put out but no trace could be found of the missing women.

A Chinese who was this morning charged before Magistrate Orme, at the instance of Corporal A. Roberts, R.A.M.C., with the theft of a quantity of kit bags and haversacks from "F" Block, Military Quarters, was sentenced to one month's imprisonment with hard labour.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS IN THIS COMPANY will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 19th February, 1921, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1920.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th February, to the 21st February, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.
Hongkong, January 31, 1921.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

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PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

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WEDNESDAY,

February 2, 1921, at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

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THURSDAY,

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1 Mineral Water Machine and 2 Cylinders.

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ON THURSDAY,

February 17, 1921, at 10.30 a.m., at Sales Room, United Motors Ltd. (Late Alex. Ross) Kowloon.

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Hongkong, January 31, 1921.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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T. YAMAMOTO, Manager.
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

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ENGLISH-SPEAKING RACE AND
JAPAN.

LONDON, January 30th.

The Observer, in welcoming Mr. Churchill's appointment to the Colonial Office, remarks that the issue embracing sea-power, the Japanese Treaty and Anglo-American friendship must be probed at the Imperial Conference in June, and urges the Imperial Government not to lose time in showing that misapprehension with regard to the Japanese Treaty is absolutely baseless. "It should be made finally clear that if Japan attacks any English-speaking people she will have to meet the combined force of the whole English-speaking race. Japan is entitled to her rights in Asia, just as English-speaking communities are entitled to theirs elsewhere. In the question of the Pacific all English-speaking communities should guarantee each other from aggression and equally guarantee Japan from aggression."

OPPOSITION TO AMERICAN-
JAPANESE AGREEMENT.

WASHINGTON, January 29th.
Senator Johnson criticizes the proposed American-Japanese Agreement, and declares that it would not exclude the Japanese and that it would practically repeal the California Law. He threatens to resist the legislation carrying out the Agreement.

NEW CHINESE MINISTER IN PARIS.

PARIS, January 29th.
A Havas message says:—
President Millerand to-day received, with full diplomatic honours, the new Chinese Minister, Tchang Lo, who presented his credentials.

YAP CABLE CONTROVERSY.

LONDON, January 29th.
The Times' New York correspondent says that the question of the control of the cable landing at Yap is adding to the friction between the Japanese and American Governments. Japan claims control on the ground that the Peace Treaty gives Japan the control of all ex-German islands north of the Equator. On the other hand Mr. Davis produced evidence showing that it was agreed informally at the Peace Conference that the control of the Yap cable should be reserved for decision at a general conference regarding the disposal of ex-German cables.

DR. WELLINGTON KOO.

LONDON, January 29th.
The Times, in an interview, warmly pays a tribute to the personal attractions and the faultless English of Dr. Wellington Koo, who the journal says, is an ardent advocate of progress. Dr. Wellington Koo declared that China's greatest desire was to catch up with the rest of the world.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, January 29th.
The death has taken place in Moscow of Prince Kropotkin.

FAR EASTERN CABLE
NEWS.

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SINO-JAPANESE MILITARY PACT
CANCELLED.

PEKING, January 29th.
A memorandum has been signed by the Chinese and Japanese Military and Naval representatives at Peking, cancelling the agreements on which the Sino-Japanese Military Pact of 1918 was based. The memorandum is published by the two Governments.

URGA TO PEKING.

PEKING, January 29th.
After three months' interruption of communication caused by the Russian incursion into Mongolia, the recently completed wireless station at Urga is now able to communicate with Peking, thus marking the successful completion of the first span of the longest wireless telegraph communication in the world.

CHINA'S FINANCIAL DIFFICULTY.

PEKING, January 29th.
The Government is faced with obligations amounting to fifty millions of dollars to be met by the New Year, towards which sum only four millions are available from the Customs.
The Government is negotiating loans from native banks on the security of national bonds.
In this connection a northern Chinese newspaper states that the telegrams received at the Department of Finance in Peking from various provinces demanding payments are:—

Lin Tsiang-hao of Szechwan	500,000
Chen Yi of Urga	500,000
Chen Kwang-yuan of Kiangsi	500,000
Chang Tsiang-chang of Kiangsi	500,000
Wang Chuan-yuan of Hupeh	2,000,000
Chen Shun-fang of Shensi	200,000
Tsao Kun of Chihli	2,000,000
Chen Chi-lin of Tibet	100,000
Tsaching Imperial House	1,500,000
Chang Tso-lin of Mukden (demands on Chiao-tung)	1,000,000
Pao Kwei-ching of Kirin	250,000
The Commission of Unity of Peking	100,000
The Board of Economical Affairs	500,000
The Army Department	2,000,000
The Naval Department	2,000,000
General Staff	1,000,000
Lu Tung-tung of Kwangsi	500,000

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ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.**DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.****ANNUAL REPORT.**

An interesting ceremony took place at St. Stephen's College on Saturday morning, when the Governor distributed the prizes, and several speeches were made touching on matters of importance. Among them was the subject of the relations of the College with the University of Hongkong. The Bishop of Victoria presided at the occasion. Others present were Archdeacon Barnett, the Hon. Mr. E. Irving, Director of Education; Dr. Sanders; Mr. S. W. Tso and Mr. Lai Kwai Pui, members of the Council of the College; and Professor Hinton, Professor Simpson, and Professor Foster, of the University.

The Bishop of Victoria offered His Excellency the Governor, in the name of the Council, staff and students of the College, a very cordial welcome; they knew something of the many demands on the Governor's time and interest and were the more grateful. This school was under the auspices of the Church Missionary Society, which provided the Principal and his stipend, but the school was under the management of a local Council, the property being held by local trustees. The local Council was composed partly of Chinese gentlemen and partly of Europeans. As this was a college for Chinese students, the aim was that it should be carried on in conformity with all that was best in Chinese thought and progress, and at the same time with what was best in the British public school system. As to the staffing of the College with European masters, at the outbreak of the war there were, in addition to the Principal, six European masters, one of whom was a Senior Wrangler. When the war broke out those six men offered for service and one of them, whose memory would be specially in mind at the dedication of the Memorial at the Cathedral, on Sunday, gave his life in Mesopotamia. The places of those masters were filled, but owing to unforeseen circumstances, chiefly adverse health, one or another of them had left the Colony and one of the problems before the Council was whether they could hope to get the same European staff as before the war. He wished to express appreciation of the Chinese masters, graduates of Hongkong University, who had carried on the work formerly done by some of the European masters. (Applause.) The results in the examination and other tests showed the efficiency of their work, but all were agreed that while a strong Chinese graduate staff should be maintained, the proportion should be adjusted in regard to European masters, and the College should continue to have men with the traditions of British public school experience behind them. Mr. Hewitt, the Warden, had had to carry on his work under very difficult circumstances, and added burdens had been placed upon him at a time when his health was not good. The meeting would doubtless like to express its sympathy and thankfulness to Mr. Hewitt for all his work for the College. (Applause.)

The Rev. W. H. Hewitt (the Warden), before reading his report for the year 1919-1920, took the opportunity of welcoming the Governor on his first appearance at St. Stephen's College prize giving. (Applause.) They welcomed him not only as Governor of the Colony but as Chancellor of Hongkong University. The origin of the University lay in the fact that a large number of students leaving the sixth form of St. Stephen's College were going to foreign universities, and Archdeacon Barnett in 1908 was in communication with Oxford University to make arrangements for special facilities there for students of the College. That was mentioned at one of the prize-givings at which Sir Frederick Lugard was present, and he expressed the opinion that it would be better to have a local University. The Council of St. Stephen's enthusiastically supported that proposal; the suggestions for arrangements with Oxford University were dropped, and, as a measure of its interest, the Council, when the University was established, formed

with others, mostly parents and guardians, a guarantee fund without which the University would not start an Arts course. The College had a very deep interest in the success of the University; for that institution many of its scholars were prepared, for a large proportion of the sixth form students went to Universities, either in Hongkong or in England or the United States. He advised students always to go to the local University and graduate before going abroad, and therefore the Council and himself had seen with great pleasure the establishment of the University on a secure basis and its assurance of progress under His Excellency's Chancellorship. (Applause.)

The Warden then read his annual report. This Report covers a period of more than the usual Academic year—it includes four terms instead of three, viz. from September 1919 to December 1920. The reason for this protraction of our school year lies in changes made by the University of Hongkong. As we make it our aim to lay a foundation upon which the University may build, we need not follow suit when it makes its year to begin in January instead of September.

This means that in future we shall make our promotions from Form to Form in December instead of July. And I would urge parents intending to send their sons here to let them enter early in January so that they may not miss the early part of the year's work.

Present students who were not in Form VI on December 31, 1920, are bound to suffer what they may call "the loss" of a term. Expecting promotion in July next they now find themselves delayed till December. I beg them not to consider this as a loss at all, but as a change to build a stronger foundation for future work.

I have constantly to warn Chinese students against the danger of superficiality, and what goes with it, inaccuracy, in their work. Students are inclined to think that they can run before they can walk. Last year we had one student in our first Form, who thought he could enter the University, and spent most of his time reading the books for Matriculation which he could by no means understand, instead of doing the simple easy class work which he despised but did not master. Let each student make it his aim to assimilate the subjects he is invited to study, and to be content to give plenty of time to the early stages of his work. If present students will accept my advice and use well the extra time forced upon them by the action of the University they will find it not a loss but a great gain to them. There is no cloud without its silver lining.

And when I speak of the change of Academic year as a "cloud" please do not think that I am sorry for it. On the contrary, I heartily approve the change.

2. During the period now reviewed we have had changes in our staff. Shortly after Mr. Britten's return from England Messrs. Harrington and Armitage left us. Mr. Bethill who joined the staff in September 1919 had to leave us, on grounds of health, in July 1920. Mr. Cheung went to England to London University at the same time. The vacant places were filled by Messrs. Chan Kwan Po and Wong To On, graduates in arts of Hongkong University, whom we congratulate for the degrees conferred upon them yesterday.

3. In spite of the fact that our fees had to be raised during the period covered by this report the number of students in attendance showed no material decline. The applications for boarders' rooms were more than we could accommodate.

4. In Michaelmas Term 1920 we were approached by the University on the matter of the class of Pre-matriculation students which it was desired to terminate as a part of the University work. Nine of these students came to us for tuition as day boys while residing in the University Halls, and one of them, Ism Kae Yan, passed the Matriculation Examination last month. Of the others, some proved themselves incapable of University work and have withdrawn from the University. Others—Siamese students, who had been placed in our Fifth Form were doing fairly good work, but have been recalled to

Siam. Thus the Prematriculation Class has died, and I for one, hope that it will never be revived. The excuse for it was the weakness of students who obtained scholarships at the University granted by Provincial Governments in China. The problem is a real one; but if it is met on the lines of the Yunnan Scholarship Examination it may I believe be readily solved. This examination is conducted at Yunnanfu, under the supervision of H.B.M. Consul-General. The questions and answers are in Chinese except in the case of the English section, and the standard required is that of the Hongkong University Junior Local Examination, except that arithmetic and Chinese are of Matriculation Standard. A preliminary qualifying examination is held in English dictation. The scholarship is held on condition that the first year is spent at St. Stephen's College. Of the several students from Yunnan who have joined the University I believe that there has been only one failure to matriculate at the normal date, and that exception passed six months after his failure. I exclude from this count several Yunnan students who were taken from this school in the early days and drawn to residence at the University before the end of their first year. If I am not mistaken there were failures among them in the Entrance Examination.

This year I have been asked by the University to organize this examination, as in previous years—but I would urge that in future the University should undertake the work itself, utilizing the services of its Chinese graduates for this purpose and maintaining the important requirement that students winning scholarships by this examination should spend a year in some Hongkong school or some other recognized English High School before presenting themselves for Matriculation. Under such conditions the usefulness of the examination might spread beyond Yunnan, and attract students from other provinces to the University.

5. The period now reviewed has seen the institution of another scholarship—viz. the St. Stephen's Scholarship at Holy Trinity School, Canton. That school aims to be a feeder to the University, and in order to help it to attain its aims, our College Council offered three scholarships tenable for three years at St. Stephen's College—the first scholarship covering fees for tuition and board, and those on two succeeding years covering tuition fees only. An examination is held in Canton. The successful candidate enters our Upper School Form IV and is required to obtain promotion each year until at the end of the third year he matriculates. There the scholarship ends, so far as we are concerned; but I dare to hope that when the first scholar matriculates in December 1923 there may be some one interested in the articulation of education between Canton and Hongkong who will provide a University in continuation of this school scholarship.

6. The test of a school is not properly to be found in the examination lists to which I am slowly leading up. It is to be looked for in the after life of the pupils. Recently I received from the head of a College in America a very complimentary statement about a student in regard to whom I had written a report of his school work showing that he was rather below than above our average. The Principal replied that he would be delighted to take from us as many students of that class as we could send him, because this particular student was making such a good impression.

We have many Old Boys who are now studying abroad, and some of them have gone abroad too early in their student life. I would like to impress it upon students who look forward to going abroad, that they should first graduate in Hongkong University. One year spent in England for past graduate work will generally be more valuable than three years spent by one who leaves Hongkong before graduation. I would invite those who purpose going abroad to consult me and to consider carefully the reason for and against too early a departure.

7. We draw many students from places far away. Peru, Cuba, British Guiana, Singapore, Java, Siam and different parts of China send us their sons. They come because they want to have a good education on British lines, and yet to get into touch with China, her history, language, literature, and her whole culture. I am glad to be able to report that last year foreign students have showed much more keenness than ever before in their Chinese studies. I should like to add in order to prevent misunderstanding that Mrs. Hewitt whom I asked to examine the lower classes in their colloquial English asked me to compliment both scholars and teachers upon the excellent results of her examination. We do realize the great importance for Chinese students of obtaining a good knowledge of spoken English.

8. Our St. Stephen's College Association has had during 1920 about 300 subscribing members. Branches have been or are being formed in Great Britain, U.S.A., Canton, Macao, Peking, and Shanghai at present; two old boys are at Cambridge, one at London, one at Dublin, and others at various Universities and hospitals and schools in Great Britain.

9. But as I stand here reviewing the past year's work and problems, I ask myself, what is our school doing for China—what use are our old boys making of their education. And I can face that question with a proud and thankful heart. I cannot name all our old boys who are now holding positions of influence and honour. But I would like to mention a few taken at random almost—because for the eighteen years of our school life it has been our aim to produce men whose ideal would be that of service for others—for China, as we are all Chinese subjects here, and whose training would be such that they could appreciate British ideals and present them to their fellow-countrymen in a sympathetic spirit. In varied ways they are, many of them, now holding positions of trust and influence. If this report reaches them it will, I hope, assure them of our interest in their work, and remind them of the days when within these walls ideals of service were born which now are being expected for the uplift of their country.

Education. Chan Kwan Lam, M.A. Durham, Professor of English at Boxer Indemnity College, Peking. Literature—See Chong Si, Ph.D., "Foreign Trade in China." Wong Fung Wa, Ph.D., "Public Debt in China."

Law—Lo Mau Kwong, B.A. (Oxon), Attorney-General, Peking. Government—Fong Ping Shuen, B.Sc., Commissioner of Customs and Foreign Affairs, Haiman. Lau Kwai Cheuk, Head of Provincial Mint, Canton.

Engineers—Chan Lu Cho, B.Sc., Director of Highways, Kwangtung. Acting Chief Engineer of the Yuet Han Railway. Ip Hin Fong, B.Sc., Engineer, Canton-Kowloon Railway. Doctors—Woo Loy Kung, M.B., Kwong Wa Hospital. Commerce—Lo Lok Tsai, Manager, China Mail S.S. Co., San Francisco. Lo Shuet Po, Manager of Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Co., Canton.

Many others might be cited, but enough names have been given to show that now our school is beginning to achieve for good or ill the purposes conceived by its founders eighteen years ago. As I read over this list I am conscious that I have omitted some of the most brilliant names. But my purpose in mentioning any at all is to draw the attention of present scholars to the fact that their school days here are of vast importance because they are the first step into an unknown future of almost infinite possibilities for good or evil.

10. In speaking of Old Boys and their doings I should not omit to notice what they have done in athletics. We reckon two Cambridge Blues (tennis), Messrs. We Wing Lok and Ng Sze Cheung, and the present champion of Hongkong, Ng Sze Kwong.

This is purposely a comparatively small school—small in numbers, I mean. We limit the size of our classes so that more effective supervision by the masters may be exercised. Yet despite our small numbers as compared with other institutions in Hongkong we keep two teams in the Interscholar Football League. Our position in the League might be better were we to limit our efforts to one section of the League—but we want to have as many as possible of our players taking part in these matches.

In the summer months we have been successful in teaching many of our students to swim. 30 passed the test which is that they should swim twice round the anchored launch from which our party bathes.

UNIVERSITY LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.

11. Junior Local in July 1920 8 entered 4 passed; Dec. 1920 9 entered 7 passed.

With regard to the December examinations the name of St. Stephen's College does not figure on the University list. These 9 students who entered had just been promoted from our Form IV. If they had asked me whether they might enter as St. Stephen's College students I should have said "No, you may enter as private students if you wish to have a chance to avoid the delay imposed on your promotion by the change in our year; but I recommend you to spend the extra time in our Form V." They had no special preparation for the Junior Local in December. They passed it mainly on the result of consistent good work in our Form IV. And it speaks volumes for teachers and pupils that with that preparation they were able to go in and pass the Junior Local at short notice when the coming changes were announced. They have fully earned their promotion to Form IV. But I have warned them that this speedy promotion may be a handicap to future progress unless they maintain the same earnestness in their studies as they showed last year.

MATRICULATION EXAMINATION.

1919, 7 entered 5 were present, 4 passed, 1 got Senior Local; 1920 17 entered, 10 passed, 2 got Senior Locals.

This outside test of the quality of our work during the year will speak for itself.

Finally, I wish to thank the whole staff for the loyalty and devotion with which they have fulfilled their duties. I cannot speak too highly of the ability and the energy which they have shown.

One last word—as to discipline. As we are by ordinance an "exempt-

ed" school—the only one now remaining, I believe—we have not the advantage of outside comment upon our work and discipline. It is not that we are afraid of such inspection. I myself would be glad of occasional visits from the Inspector of English Schools or the Director of Education. Anything to improve co-ordination among the schools must be for the good of education in the Colony. And I must compliment both staff and students by expressing my conviction that any such outside criticism of the discipline obtaining here must be forced to express itself in the word "excellent." Sympathy and good leadership on the part of the staff has had its natural response of equal sympathy, loyalty, and earnest work on the part of the students.

The prize list was a lengthy one, and included the following—

Dux of the College (gold medal).—Wan Wei.

Holy Trinity College Scholar (first award).—Wong Chi-kin.

Yunnan Scholarship (offered by Messrs. Brunner, Mond & Co. on condition that the holder studies chemistry, \$1,000 a year, tenable for five years, of which four are to be spent in the University of Hongkong; for a Yunnan student).—Leigh Byng.

His Excellency the Governor, before distributing the prizes, congratulated St. Stephen's College on the excellent record of work for the year, and Mr. Hewitt on the report, which had thrown new light on several important matters. With regard to the pre-matriculation class—of which Mr. Hewitt spoke with tender remembrance, though rather pleased it was now defunct—the Governor remarked that one of the difficulties of the University had been that a number of students matriculated there had not been sufficiently advanced in their knowledge of English to get full benefit from the lectures, and the time of some members of the University staff was occupied, as it should not have been, in endeavouring to overcome these deficiencies of the pupils.

Therefore, the school was asked to take over that work, which was not of the type to be expected from the staff of the University. It was important that students should be able to follow the lectures, and Mr. Hewitt's suggestion would be valued by the University authorities, to whose attention he would have much pleasure in commending it. Last year, when the question of continuing the Government grant for Yunnanese students came up, he consulted Mr. Hewitt and the answer was that Yunnanese boys had done excellently and the experiment was an entire success. (Applause.) In view of that, the Chamber of Commerce agreed to double its contribution, the Government had done the same, and this would take effect during the present year. His Excellency expressed his entire concurrence with the Warden's remarks as to boys attending Hongkong University before going to an English or a foreign University. (Applause.) For many years he had seen a good deal of Asiatic scholars; in England he was brought in contact with them in the course of his work at the Colonial Office, and he was confident that the course Mr. Hewitt suggested was the right one. He did not say it was a bad thing for Asiatic scholars to attend English Universities—on the contrary, he would be sorry if they ceased to do so. But there were dangers and difficulties which could not be avoided. One was that if a young man went to a foreign country before his character was set, he tended to lose touch with his own country while not acquiring the nationality of the country in which he was studying. The consequences, in his experience, had not been good. He therefore supported the view that boys should not go to foreign Universities until they had attained a fairly ripe age; they should first graduate in the local University before going elsewhere for post-graduate training.

Of course, it was not always possible to do this; specialist training must often be begun at an early stage in the student's career. In the case of the Arts course there was no reason why the course suggested should not be followed; the students would take a degree at Oxford in shorter time than if they had not had the preliminary instruction. He spoke, he admitted, partly in the interests of the interests of the students themselves. He made no apology for speaking in the interests of the University because he considered it a valuable institution to the Colony, and to China, and he desired that it should flourish, not for its own sake, but for the sake of Hongkong and China. (Applause.)

Lo Cheuk Shui, the dux of the school, speaking in very good English, thanked His Excellency on behalf of the students for his attendance, and called for three cheers for the Governor, which were heartily given.

The proceedings concluded with the singing of the National Anthem.

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SPORT.**LEAGUE CRICKET.****I.R.C. v. C.R.C.**

The Indians visited the Chinese at Causeway Bay on Saturday. The home team showed up very badly in this match, and faulty fielding allowed the visitors to pile up a big score which in spite of careful batting, the Chinese could not reach. Batting first, the Indians lost the first wicket for 24 runs and the second for 52. Then Rumjahn and Ismail started a partnership which took the score to 143 before it was broken. Three other batsmen carried the total to 174 at which figure the side declared for the loss of 6 wickets. With an hour and forty minutes in which to make 175 runs to win, the task of the Chinese did not look impossible. They started badly, however, and the first two wickets went down for 4 and 24 respectively, while the other two which followed added nothing to the score. When 86 was reached for the loss of 7 wickets, the Chinese realised the impossibility of their task, and playing carefully, they managed to play out time and thus snatched a draw with two wickets in hand.

The scores were—

I.R.C.			
A. H. Rumjahn, c Gittins, b Lee	29		
M. H. Abbas, c Un, b Ching	11		
S. H. Ismail, c Ching, b Lee	46		
A. A. Rumjahn, c Kew, b Lee	59		
A. el Arculli, not out	16		
O. Ismail, c Gittins, b Lee	0		
A. Minn, b Ching	2		
Extras	11		
Total (for 6 wickets, declared)	174		

D. Weerapulli, S. A. Ismail, D. Rumjahn, and N. M. Bux did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.			
Ng Sze Kwong	6	0	41
Ching	22	2	84
Lee	16	3	38

C.R.C.

W. Lock Wai, c S. H. Ismail, b Abbas	4
Un. Hew Fan, c Weerapulli, b Arculli	6
Ng Sze Kwong, b Abbas	12
G. A. V. Hall, b Arculli	0
H. Ching, c A. A. Rumjahn	27
M. P. Choa, c D. Rumjahn, b A. Rumjahn	20
J. Wong, c S. H. Ismail, b Minn	11
G. Lee, not out	5
W. Gittins, b A. A. Rumjahn	5
Lo Man Pan, not out	10
Extras	10
Total (for 8 wickets)	111

A. J. Kew did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.			
Abbas	16	7	31
Arculli	5	1	17
S. H. Ismail	3	0	15
A. A. Rumjahn	8	2	23
D. Weerapulli	2	0	7
A. Minn	2	1	8
A. H. Rumjahn	1	0	1

H.K.C.C. v. UNIVERSITY.

The Hongkong Cricket Club were at home to the University on Saturday, and scoring 239 runs in just five minutes over an hour and a half, gave the visitors an uphill struggle. After the first wicket had fallen for a paltry 8 runs, Farthing and Edwards made a stand and took the score to 50 before the former made the trip to the pavilion. Pearce joined Edwards and together they carried the score to 125. Edwards batted very well and his score of 71 included one six and ten fours. Pearce also scored very fast, playing havoc with all the bowlers. He made a century and one with ease, hitting 19 fours and a six. The University started their innings very badly, losing wickets at 1 for 24, 2 for 30 and 3 for 31. Then Roffey and Pun stop-

ped the rot and lived things up considerably, bringing the score up to 93 before the partnership was broken. Roffey hit Edwards beautifully for a six and netted eight fours before his partner was dismissed. Roffey failed to get a partner to stay with him after this and the innings closed with 114 runs, the fall failing to hold up the wickets and going down rather easily.

The scores were—

H. K. C. C.			
L. J. Davies, c T. L. Cheah, b Freeborn	5		
Major Edwards, b T. E. Yeoh	71		
F. H. Farthing, b Freeborn	13		
T. E. Pearce, retired	101		
H. A. Sawyer, b Freeborn	3		
G. M. Dorkins, b Roffey	4		
P. Jacks, b Yeoh	15		
E. Grimble, lb.w. Roffey	0		
W. H. Drummond, c C. H. Yeoh, b Freeborn	0		
W. Lyon Brown, c Barney, b Freeborn	1		
J. C. Fletcher, not out	9		
Extras	17		
Total	239		

Bowling Analysis.

Freeborn	18	1	73
T. E. Yeoh	12	0	91
M. H. Roffey	6	1	41

UNIVERSITY.

T. E. Yeoh, b Edmonds	13
K. S. Cheoh, b Fletcher	12
L. T. Pun, c Sawyer, b Edwards	26
D. K. Simy, b Edwards	0
H. C. Hunt, b Farthing	1
M. H. Roffey, b Edwards	49
T. L. Cheah, b Dorkins	1
J. H. R. Freeborn, lb.w. Dorkins	8
C. H. Yeoh, c Drummond, b Dorkins	0
Dorkins	0
R. W. Barney, not out	0
D. Laing, c Drummond, b Dorkins	0
Extras	4
Total	114

Bowling Analysis.

Farthing	10	0	32
Fletcher	5	0	14
Edwards	11	2	49
Dorkins	5.1	2	15

THE LEAGUE TABLE.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	P.
Civil Service	6	5	1	0	15
Kowloon	6	3	1	2	11
Craigengower	8	3	3	2	11
C.R.C.	6	2	1	3	9
H.K.C.C.	5	2	1	2	8
R.G.A.	4	2	2	0	6
University	7	1	3	3	6
Indians	6	1	3	2	5
Staffs	4	0	4	0	0

SHOOTING.

"TAMAR" v. "ALACRITY."

The teams of H.M. Ships "Tamar" and "Alacrity" met at Tai Hang Range on Friday in connection with the Hongkong Rifle League, and an interesting shoot resulted in a win for the "Tamar" by 111 points.

The scores were—

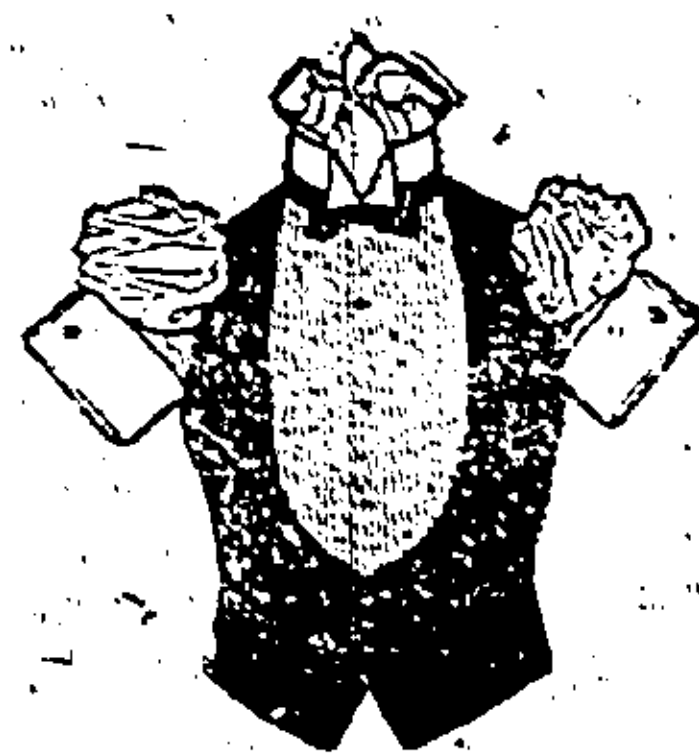
H.M.S. "TAMAR."

	200	500	600	Pts.
Mr. Glenow	41	39	40	120
"Brzendale	43	43	32	118
"Snell	35	38	43	116
"Sely	39	39	38	111
"Ravenscroft	35	44	28	108
"Botting	34	39	34	107
"Allen	31	31	32	95
"Way	33	34	23	90
Total	865			

H.M.S. "ALACRITY."

	200	500	600	Pts.
Mr. Seward	39	42	22	113
"Seymour	37	40	31	108
"Walkey	35	42	24	101
"Jervis	30	34	33	97
"Jones	41	23	28	92
"Aham	31	23		

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ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE.

The prize distribution of St. Paul's College held in the open air on Saturday night owing to the want of a room sufficiently large to accommodate the big gathering of parents and friends, was marred towards the conclusion by a fall of rain. H.E. the Governor, who distributed the prizes, therefore did not make a speech. Before the rain came on, however, the Bishop of Victoria, in the course of a few remarks about the College, said that it was one of the oldest educational institutions in the Colony almost as old as the Colony itself. In a report dating back to the fifties of last century he came upon this passage: "St. Paul's College was distinguished for the Chinese and English teaching imparted. From it came the best-instructed Chinese who held at present the highest positions amongst their countrymen." Those who knew the College believed that these high traditions were more than maintained. The College owed a great deal to the devotion of Mr. Arthur Stewart and Mrs. Stewart and to Mr. Evans Stewart and those who helped in the teaching. (Applause.)

Mr. Evans Stewart, in the course of his annual report said:

Your Excellency, my Lord Bishop, ladies and gentlemen,—"To-night we complete the twelfth year of this school's existence, a year which has shown encouraging advance in many ways."

Enrolment—The number on the register has been the same as last year. The maximum number for which we have accommodation, namely 360, was reached each half year, and many applications were refused for want of space.

A tendances—The attendance has been decidedly good, especially during the Summer when numbers are inclined to fall off. The average daily attendance for the year was 238. Altogether 58 attended for the whole year without missing a day.

Students—School studies have been up to the usual standard. Special emphasis has been laid on English Composition, both oral and written, in the Lower School with good results.

In the University Local Examinations the results were as good as we expected in view of the fact that our top classes depleted in numbers. In the Senior Division five passed out of nine and in the Junior Division eleven out of fourteen, two with Distinction.

In this connection I should like to mention a former student, Ip Kam Wa, who entered the lowest class of the College in 1912, and took his medical degree in the University at the end of 1920, passing out with very good result, and thus competing the whole of his school and University career in eight years.

Sports: In the sphere of sports limited space for practising has again been a great hindrance, however, under the enthusiastic leadership of the two sportsmasters, Mr. A. Rowan, and Mr. Leung Sai Sang, we have done better than in past years. Three teams were entered for the school's Football League. In the Senior Division we secured second place, in the Intermediate Division we were equal, second; and in the Junior Division we were fifth.

Volley ball has been played a great deal throughout the year and in the last season of the School's league we succeeded in winning the Senior Championship.

As usual the football and volleyball teams made a trip to Canton to play against the four leading Canton Schools. The volleyball team won all four matches, the football team was defeated once, by Canton Christian College.

doing well. It contains 54 boarders, which number has been maintained for most of the year. The health of the boarders has been good and very few cases of sickness have been reported. Owing to the large number of students who could not be accommodated in the College a junior school has been established in the Hostel, and has an attendance at present of 62. Mr. Yip Chor Sang, who recently took over the duties of house-master from Mr. Wong Shiu Pun, is in charge of the Hostel School.

Staff.—During the past year there have been several changes in the Staff. In March Mr. Chun Kwong Yan left to enter business, and soon afterwards Mr. Pong Poon Ying left us to enter the Shanghai College. Two members of the Staff have left to further their education with a view to returning to us later: Mr. Wong Shiu Pun going to England and Mr. Li Chi Wa to the Hongkong University. At Christmas Mrs. Goggin resigned as she was returning to England.

Another loss has been Mr. Lai Chi Lau, master in charge of vernacular studies; who, after eight years with us, is now retiring to take up some less arduous work. He will be a loss to the College, but we may be assured that his duties will be ably discharged by Mr. Wong Yu Kung.

In December the Rev. A. D. Stewart, Principal of the College, left for England on furlough.

To fill the vacancies in the Staff we have been most fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. Andrews, Miss Miall, and Miss Middleton Smith, who has been acting headmistress of St. Stephen Girls' College. We have also been strengthened by the addition of Mr. Wong Yee Bai, Mr. Leung Sai Sang, and Mr. Wong Shiu Yu, another former student of the College.

Last month Mrs. Claxton returned from England, and was welcomed back to the Staff by many old friends in the school.

We have also had the valuable help of Mrs. Bionn for drawing, and Captain Fogg as shorthand master.

Mrs. Walmsley, who, it was feared, would have to leave in the Summer, has fortunately been able to continue her teaching throughout the year. Mr. Yip Chor Sang has again done well both as house-master and as master in charge of the junior school.

Mr. Wei Wing Yuet, senior mathematical master, has added another year of good work to the many he has already given to the College. Mr. A. Rowan has done invaluable service both as sportsmaster and in school.

During the past few years branch schools have been established at Aberdeen, Yau Ma Tei, and last year another at Shekhi. These have a total attendance of about one hundred and forty.

Besides these, there is a free school for boys at Tai Hang, Causeway Bay, which was started by the students of the College. It is managed by a committee of the monitors, and is supported by the College.

The boarders in the Hostel are still continuing the free night school in the College, six nights a week, thus giving practical help to about ninety boys of the poorer class.

In addition to this, members of the Staff and students have done useful work on the Scripture Union meetings in the College, and in active evangelistic work in the preaching hall in Hollywood Road.

In bringing this report to a close I should like to express thanks to all those who have been kind enough to give addresses on Saturday mornings; to the past students who donated the Lander Scholarship; to a former student, Dr. Ip Kam Wa, who kindly offered to act as Hon. Medical Adviser to the College; and to all those who supported us throughout the year.

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SCHOOLS PRIZES.

YING WA COLLEGE.

The seventh annual prize distribution of Ying Wa College was held on Thursday in the Y.M.C.A. hall. Dr. T. W. Pearce, LL.D., presided and there were many parents and friends present with the pupils, including Dr. Claud Severn and Mrs. Severn.

In his annual report, the Headmaster, Mr. Hughes, said: The Ying Wa College has now completed the first seven years of its existence. It has had to meet great obstacles, and on occasion the very continuance of the School was threatened. It has at last reached a position of security for which all honour is due to the To Tai Church, which, with the initial assistance of the London Missionary Society, undertook the great task of founding this school, and has persisted in its endeavour.

In 1919 the enrolment for the two terms respectively was 142 and 153, and the average attendance for the year was 123.6; during 1920, the enrolment has been 150 and 178 respectively, and the average attendance for the whole year 16. The record attendance in 1920 was 182 as compared with 148 in 1919.

Mr. E. C. Tai, M.A., of Columbia University, did good work for us for one term in preparing the boys of Class I for the Senior Local and Matriculation Examinations last July. His place was taken after the summer holidays by Mr. Herbert Wilson, who has joined the staff as a full-time teacher. It was with sincere regret that we said goodbye to the end of last month to Mr. Anderson, who had been teaching in the school for three years. His place has been taken temporarily by Mr. Yeung Kwai Chin, B.Sc.

As Headmaster I would record my appreciation of the loyal support which I have received throughout the year from my colleagues in the school.

As in previous years all the boys in classes I and II have been entered for the Hongkong University Examinations, and better results were obtained this year than in any previous year. In class I, out of 12 candidates, two boys passed the Matriculation, and 6 the Senior Local Examination. In the Junior Local Examinations out of 15 candidates, 9 boys passed.

Altogether in both classes 9 distinctions were obtained. I believe that in the other classes the standard of work done by the pupils has been improved. The teaching of English in the lower classes is receiving special attention, and a great deal of time and effort has been spent in getting the boys to speak English clearly and naturally. The fruits of this oral method of teaching English are already beginning to appear in the greater facility with which boys learn to read and write English afterwards. In the Middle and Upper classes the study of formal grammar is being more and more dropped and rules of grammar are only being taught in connection with, and as an aid to, the writing of English composition.

A small Chemistry laboratory has been opened for demonstration purposes, and experiments are shown to the boys learning this subject in classes I, 2 and 3.

During the latter part of this term instruction has been given by Mr. Wilson throughout the school in singing, and as a result considerable improvement has already been made. The Hostel, with accommodation for nearly thirty boys, has been well filled throughout the year.

In one important respect there seems to have been little progress made during this past year, and that is in the growth of school spirit.

In the sphere of games the school has had two volleyball teams which have entered for the Junior and Senior Boys' Volley Ball League, and also a Football team, which entered for the Junior Football League. Friendly matches have been played with visiting schools from Canton.

This term a new society has been formed amongst a few of the boys, namely the Chinese Musical Club, the aim of which is to train its members in the arts of Chinese Music.

The School Library too has been opened with a greatly increased stock of books, both English and Chinese. Our best thanks are due to Sir Robert Ho Tung, and Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak, who subscribed very generously to the fund. Besides, the lending library, magazines, newspapers, and games are provided for the recreation of the boys.

As a striking example of the ambitious schemes undertaken by the boys, the Tuck Shop Company should be mentioned, which was promoted by some of the Senior boys on the lines of a proper trading company. This has, however, proved to be an undertaking beyond their ability and will have to be discontinued next term.

The Anniversary of the Chinese Republic was celebrated as in previous years by a very large social gathering of almost 1,000 people held in the school play ground, when a successful concert arranged by the boys themselves was given.

The Branch of the Students Y.M.C.A. in this school has had a chequered career during the past year, and for several months no meetings were held at all. Lately, however, a new start has been made and a weekly religious meeting has been held on Friday afternoons after school.

Mrs. Severn then distributed the certificates and prizes.

YING WA GIRLS' SCHOOL.

The annual prize giving, and concert of the Ying Wa Girls' School was held in the Y.M.C.A. hall.

A report of the year's work was read by the Headmistress, Miss M. M. Hogben, B.A. (Lond). On the 8th of March of last year, our Headmistress, Miss Davies, who has spent more than 30 years in the cause of girls' education in China, went home to England for a much-needed and well-earned furlough. We are glad to have had from time to time good reports of her securing the rest and refreshment which she so badly needed, and we most warmly welcome Miss Davies back very heartily when she returns to us in the course of the next few months.

Miss Davies' departure left me with my hands very full, and I should like here to record my deep appreciation of the unfailing sympathy and help which I have had from the members of the School Staff, of both Chinese and English departments. The number of pupils during the year has varied. The greatest number on our roll during any one month has been 242, and the highest monthly average attendance was 216, the average attendance during the year being 209. Of these 95 are boarders and the rest day scholars.

The year 1920 saw the birth of our school flag, which, with its combination of the national flags of China and Britain very fittingly represents the Ying Wa (i.e. English-Chinese) School. Among the Scholars this year I have with great joy seen more of what we know in the West as a "School spirit." It is with a view to fostering this love of the old school among our former pupils that we have started an Old Girls' Association, the Ying Wa Guild. In the very near future we hope to have a school uniform.

In the autumn of this year we finished the cutting and levelling of the large playground behind the school and on the level of Robinson Road. Here we have a Basket Ball Court, besides plenty of space for free play. A small piece of ground has been divided out into plots, and in these girl gardeners may be seen hard at work.

Two School picnics have taken place during the autumn term. Last summer some few girls were taken by the Headmistress down to North Point, and attempts were made to learn to swim. We hope that next year many more will join this Swimming Club, and I would like to assure the parents that every care will be taken of the children on these expeditions. A Debating Club has been started among the teachers and elder girls.

On Friday afternoons throughout the year the elder girls have had the privilege of hearing lectures from different friends of the School. Our thanks are especially due to Mrs. Hughes for her course in Home Nursing, and to Mrs. Mitchell for her course in First Aid. We are also indebted to the many friends who have given us most interesting lectures. I should also like to thank those ladies from Union Church, who have so willingly given up time each week to come and help in different ways.

Special needle work classes have been held this year, and among our plans, or rather hopes, for next year, is a course in cookery. We want our girls to be real home-makers, not book-worms.

In addition to the regular Bible teaching of the School, we have a Sunday School, in which each of the elder girls is given a small class of four or five younger children to teach. We have also a Kindergarten Sunday School to which we welcome not only our Kindergarten scholars, but also any small brothers and sisters of our pupils in the upper classes. We hope that parents will take note of these two Sunday Schools from 11.30 till 12.30 each Sunday morning.

Another important factor in the religious life of the School is the School Y.W.C.A., carried on by the girls themselves. Of the work of this School Association I feel very justly proud—latent powers of leadership and initiative are brought out in a way that would be impossible in any other branch of the School work. The ideal of service is put before the girls, and the Christian appeal is heard and responded to in a wonderful way. I sincerely hope that parents will encourage their daughters to join this Association.

English teaching on the New Direct Method is now thoroughly established. I should like to call attention to the fact that we offer special English classes from 2 to 4 each afternoon for those who are not pupils in the Chinese part of the school.

Our Kindergarten has lived up to its name—a real Garden of Children, and very happy children, throughout the year.

From the Higher Primary School we have 9 graduates, and we are very proud of our two first graduates from the third year of our Middle School and Normal Course.

Next year the Chinese work of our Middle School and Seventh Form will be taken by Mr. Chan In Nin, a Chinese graduate of the second degree in the old system of education, so that I trust this side of the work will show much progress during the coming year.

Our chief need just now is more room—space for new and well equipped class-rooms, for a modern Laboratory and Domestic Science room, for a Library and Reading room, for a Gymnasium, and last, but not least, for an Assembly Hall, where School Concerts and Socials might take place, and where we might invite the parents to come and see what their daughters are learning and doing. Already the site is cleared, and the plan, prepared for the school of our dreams, but we need the bricks and mortar, in other words, the dollars and cents, before our scheme can be visualised. Before long we shall be asking the parents and friends to help us in this matter. We cannot give the education which we would like to give, and which you would like them to receive, because of our lack of accommodation.

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